



High-Profile Information Technology Project Status Report

Department: Children and Families (DCF)

Project Name: Parent Pay

Business Sponsor: Judy Norman-Nunnery

Date of Report: 01/13/2017

Reporting for Quarter: FY17 Q2

Project Start Date: 1/2015

Planned Implementation Date: 10/2016 (Phase I), 02/2017 (Phase II), 04/2017 (Phase III)

Estimated Project Cost: \$3,600,000

Amount Provided Through Master Lease: 0

Project Description

The Parent Pay Initiative will empower parents by giving them a greater role in the management of child care and a better understanding of the costs involved. This change encourages parental responsibility, aids parents in holding providers accountable for the quality of their children's care and prepares them for the day that they no longer need state assistance.

Child care providers are now paid directly by the State based upon the number of hours that they report a child is in attendance. Under the Parent Pay Initiative, the State will provide the child care benefit directly to parents using a protected EBT card. Parents will then use the card to directly pay their child care providers.

Project Funding –

FED \$3,600,000

Project Status – Determine the status for the Schedule and Budget categories below based on the guidelines on the right and described in more detail on page 2 of this document.

Insert an X in the column that best describes the status of the category. Add comments for that category as needed.

Additional comments are not required if the status is Green, but if a category has a status of Yellow or Red, describe the issues or problems and what actions the agency is taking to address them.

STATUS COLOR INDICATORS	
Green	On target as planned
Yellow	Encountering issues (e.g., Schedule or Budget over by 10% to 25%)
Red	Encountering problems (e.g., Schedule or Budget over by 25% or more)

Project Status Categories	Green	Yellow	Red
<p>Schedule Status</p> <p>Phase I of the project was implemented successfully on October 1st for the Western Region counties. All systems are up and running:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FIS interfaces • Worker Portal • Provider Portal • Parent Portal <p>Phase II of the project includes all other counties, except Milwaukee. Rollout is on schedule for Feb 5th 2017.</p> <p>Work for Phase III is underway for Milwaukee county. Production rollout date is April 2nd 2017.</p> <p>Everything is currently on schedule.</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Budget Status</p> <p>The Parent Pay project is on budget at this time.</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Summarize Any Completed Major Tasks or Project Phases:

Phase I of the project was implemented successfully on October 1st for the Western Region counties.

All systems are up and running:

- FIS interfaces
- Worker Portal
- Provider Portal
- Parent Portal

Summarize Any Significant Project Changes Affecting Schedule, Budget or Scope:

For each change, describe what the change involved, when it was approved, and the reasons behind the approved change.

With Milwaukee county being moved to Phase III (April 2nd), the project completion date is moved out to April 30th.

Changes required to exclude Milwaukee county from Phase II and addition of Phase III has impacted the budget.

Additional Comments or Issues (optional):

If you have any additional overall status comments about the project (e.g., project news, accomplishments, emerging challenges or risks that could affect the project), please provide them here.

Work for Phase III is underway for Milwaukee county. Production rollout date is April 2nd 2017.

Project Status Category Guidelines**Schedule Status**

Green – Indicates that the project or phase is on track for the targeted implementation date.

Yellow – Indicates that the project or phase may be falling behind and analysis needs to be done to determine if the project can recover and still achieve the targeted implementation date, or if adjustments must be made to that date.

Red – Indicates that the project or critical tasks have fallen behind schedule, and corrective action must be taken to still achieve the targeted implementation date or that date must be changed.

Budget Status

Green – Currently on target with project budget.

Yellow – Project is over budget by 10 to 25%.

Red – Project is over budget by 25% or more.